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Re: New State Fire Marshal

I am very happy to have been appointed by Governor Schwarzenegger as the 13th State Fire Marshal of California. I began working in the Sacramento Office of the State Fire Marshal on August 16, 2004. I look forward to working with and for you on important matters before us in the months and years ahead.

I have spent my first week in briefing sessions and meeting State Fire Marshal and Department of Forestry management team members. During my next few weeks, I will begin meeting with various state agencies, fire service organizations, labor leaders, and other SFM stakeholders. I will be visiting as many SFM offices, worksites and other facilities as time allows, reviewing programs, policies, developing strategies, and subsequently implementing changes in critical programs. In order to do this successfully I will need your help and input.

We will be preparing a survey to help us gather information, both internally and externally. After we collect the information, we will begin holding meetings to discuss the findings with interested groups.

With all of your help, we will continue to complete the mission of the Office of the State Fire Marshal with pride and professionalism. I am extremely proud to be a member of the Office of the State Fire Marshal. I hope to earn your confidence and trust.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "R. Grijalva".

Ruben Grijalva
State Fire Marshal